TAMESIDE EYE
No 28 DEC '81 20p

All the naughty news in Tameside

IS THIS MAN YOUR BOSS?

More secrets of the local Freemasons

INSIDE!

We expose cowboy damp proofing companies.

PLUS

What's On guide

DEREK ELLIOT'S shanty town.

Elliot's shacks

A fond welcome back to an old favourite of these columns DEREK ELLIOT property dealer, farmer and haulage contractor of THE MUDD, MOTTRAM who is still trying to get planning permission for 'high density' housing development in the field between THE MUDD and BROADBOTTOM RD. MOTTRAM.

Locals claim the field is a conservation area and in any case have no confidence in the architectural taste of a man whose other nameless development in the field across the road, looks like a cross between a shanty town and a corporation tip.
But DEREK is unperturbed.

and is hoping to wangle the planning permission by promising ▷ to use the profits from the new housing development to knock down his repulsive shanty town and build the ' Spanish style' Ranch house on THE MUDD that TAMESIDE wouldn't give him planning permission for sometime ago.
Meanwhile DEREK's farming activities have been causing concern again. The cows kept in the field he's ear-marked for his money-making housing project recently trampled through the gardens on BROADBOTTOM RD. Angry residents called in the cops who paid a visit to WARMHILL FARM (which doesn't belong to DEREK) on the mistaken assumption that the cows came from there. Later that night, DEREK himself was seen furtively ferrying the trespassing cows out of the field. □

Tory roads

In their first ever newsletter, the ST.PETERS and PORTLAND PLACE CONSERVATIVE PARTY WARD COMMITTEE made an impassioned appeal about the deplorable state of TAMESIDE roads in general and one in particular WELLBECK ST. SOUTH in the WEST END of ASHTON.
WELLBECK ST.SOUTH is a very short street with only one building on it. This building happens to be the WEST END CONSERVATIVE CLUB which serves as H.Q. and drinking trough for the ST.PETERS AND PORTLAND ST. TORIES.
And only five days after ▷ their newsletter selflessly highlighted the state of WELLBECK ST. SOUTH it has been resurfaced.

Whilst we're on the subject, interesting to note that the newsletter also carried an advert for the REEDS SCHOOL OF MOTORING. which was grist to the mill of those ASHTON gossips who claim that tubby ERNEST REED-former TORY councillor, captain of local commerce, Bio-rhythm crank and sometime spiritualist finances his local party virtually single-handed. □

Shepherd

Following last issue's expose of that disappearing, garage owning con-man BARRY SHEPHERD, a local debt collector rang us with this interesting story.....
About eight weeks ago our debt collector went in search of a bad-debt passed on to his firm by a mail-order company.
The name of the debtor was a MRS. DAY and her address was 8 HUNT AVENUE, ASHTON.
But when the collector knocked on the door he was met not by MRS. DAY but a puzzled MR. DAY who said he'd been abroad for months and had never heard of MRS. DAY.
The debt, notes our debt collecting friend, was incurred last MARCH when 8 HUNT AVE was occupied by GEORGE BARRY SHEPHERD. □

Nuke Nut

Nutter-of-the-month must surely be MICHAEL J. WINTERBOTTOM, Chairman of the ASHTON YOUNG CONSERVATIVES and currently secretary of the ASHTON CENTRAL CONSERVATIVE CLUB.
Maniac MICHAEL won our coveted NUTTERS award on the strength of a letter he wrote to the REPORTER on the subject of NUCLEAR WEAPONS, which we reprint below.....

"No, as far as I am concerned, nuclear weapons should be viewed under the following three headings — are there enough of them, are they big enough, and do they point in the right direction? — Yours etc.,

MICHAEL J. WINTERBOTTOM
Chairman, Ashton [illegible] Conservatives

Talking bikes

Where does motor oil cost £10 per gallon?
The answer is anywhere you fill up your two-stroke motorcycle using oil from the garages own forecourt dispenser; a device that doles out oil in measured shots to mix with the petrol you buy.
You need two shots of oil per gallon and many local garages charge up to 20p per ▷ shot. Most two stroke bikes use petrol and oil at a ratio of 25:1 and according to our staff mathematician that's 40p for 1/25 of a gallon of oil or £10 per gallon for oil that costs the garage £3 per gall.
A nice little profit! □

Bissel

Some good news and some bad news for MRS. EDNA BISSEL, TAMESIDE's biggest absentee landlord and well-known blood sports enthusiast.

The bad news is that the PEAK PARK planning board have banned grouse-shooting hereabouts.
The good news is that the ban won't take effect for 92 years.
This is because Sports Licenses for grouse-shooting last a long time.
So long, in this case, that by the time the grouse on MRS. BISSEL's moors can breathe easily EDNA and the rest of her gun-toting upper class twit friends will be organising angel-shoots up in that great moor-in-the-sky! □

Dr Atherton

Missing from our colums for a few issues MOSSLEY's DR. DAVID ATHERTON M.D. returns this month.
Students of this eminent medics career have brought to our attention a period of time when the good doctor was making a bit of extra cash in his spare time by looking after the hard men of OLDHAM R.L.F.C.
Our sources suggest that the brave scrummagers of OLDHAM were not too distressed when DOC ATHERTON moved on.
Apparently his touchline treatment technique, while effective, was rather rough and ready; and if, for instance, an injured scrum half should cry out, or wince, the doughty sawbones would retort 'Nay lad, when you've been on Casualty as long as me you get immune to pain.' OUCH. □

Wrigley

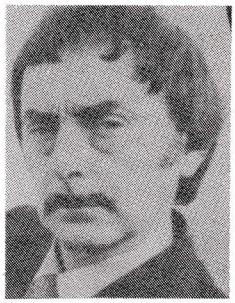
He's at it again. MOSSLEY businessman ROBERT WRIGLEY of WRIGLEY's STONE CLEANING LTD has yet again shown his contempt for planning laws, health regulations and local residents.
Despite a ban by TAMESIDE PLANNERS on outdoor cleaning apparatus at his TAME ST. development, the east face of QUICKEDGE HILL in MOSSLEY was covered in a choking cloud of cleaning sand and old paint on the afternoon of Thurs Nov.5th.
The source of the cloud proved to be the sand-blasting of a 20 ton sand hopper by two of WRIGLEY's men on the TAME ST. site.
We understand that an official from the ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DEPT caught them red-handed but when told that the job would only take 'a few more minutes' he told them to carry on!

P.S. While we are on the subject of WRIGLEY's an inspector from the DEPT OF THE ENVIRONMENT will soon be deciding on the fate of his famous unspeakable dormers above REELS VIDEO CLUB in MOSSLEY.
If he likes them they can stay, despite the veto by TAMESIDE PLANNERS and the outcry from MOSSLEY residents.

P.P.S. If you want a dormer building on your Cortina then WRIGLEYs MOTORS is the place for you.
WRIGLEY is now turning his hand to the car repair business in the old PENNINE MOTORS premises off Roughtown Rd. MOSSLEY.
You have been warned! □

Jones' views

Local fascist ANTHONY JONES rang us to correct a mistake we made in last issues article ▷ on N.F. involvement in the local anti-abortion movement.
Tubby TONY was most anxious to make it clear that he is *not* a member of ST. CHRISTOPHERS ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH on LEES RD. ASHTON and that he *doesn't* even attend his local parish church!
We imagine that both those venerable institutions will be glad to hear that TONY! □



Red Roy

Attempts by the ASHTON constituency LABOUR PARTY to hold a rally entitled "XMAS ON THE DOLE" on the ASHTON TOWN HALL STEPS have been blocked by Labour Leader ROY OLDHAM and others.
Reason? "It might upset the market traders! " □

Smells

"I quite like the smell of chemicals' said MARGARET OLDHAM wife of TAMESIDE leader ROY at a recent meeting of the DISTRICT LABOUR PARTY.
The thousands of TAME - SIDE residents who have to put up with foul-smelling factories could perhaps take the hint from MAGGIE who works with smelly rubber at JAMES NORTH FOOTWEAR in HYDE
don't complain- learn to love it!
Wonder if MAGGIE's husband ROY-who works for BRITISH NUCLEAR FUELS likes RADIOACTIVITY ? □

Harry's job

At a recent TAMESIDE council meeting, Councillor HARRY STACHINI came up with an interesting suggestion for mopping up some of the boroughs many unemployed school leavers.
"Organise them into squads" said HARRY and let them "clean out the gutters".
Nice one HARRY!
Since our caring society has already dumped them in the gutter they might as well do something whilst they are there hey?
Wonder though whether YOU would fancy the job. □

Mchellan School of Motoring
D.O.T., A.D.I., M.I.A.M., M.C.V.M.
DUAL CONTROLLED MAZDA

Dates 2/7/81

Cost per insertion £ 18.00
Total £
Commission/Discount £ net
£
V.A.T. @ % £
AMOUNT now DUE £ 18.00

OVERDUE ACCOUNT.

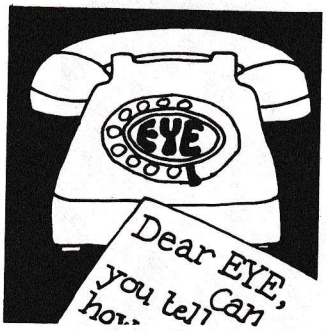
We would refer you to your outstanding debt to this Company which amounts to £ 18.00 in respect of advertisements carried in our newspapers.

In the circumstances, we must advise you that unless we receive a remittance from you forthwith, we shall place the account with a debt collecting agency for their attention.

Advertiser Balls-Up!

JIM McLELLAN of TAUNTON RD. ASHTON has had two letters from THE ADVERTISER threatening him with legal action and a debt collector if he doesn't cough up the money for a series of adverts that were butchered and mis-spelt by that papers ad-men.
Jim's first ad for his school of motoring appeared in the JULY 2nd edition of the ADVERTISER- with the lower half sliced off!
Jim complained and got a free insert in the next issue, but this ad. mis spelt his name!
So, he went to the ADVERTISER's Ashton office, spelt his name for them and left a business card with his name spelt right on it. ▷
But it was still misspelt in the next ADVERTISER!
So, Jim phoned up the paper's STOCKPORT HQ and spelt his name for the paper's top-man, who promised to get it right next time.
He didn't.
So, Jim is refusing to pay. □

Answers Please....



Rent

MR. JOE SMITH of ASHTON rang to ask us why the GROSVENOR HOUSING ASSOCIATION were trying to make him pay rent on his TAUNTON RD. flat six weeks after he'd left it for a ground floor TAMESIDE flat more suitable for someone with his heart condition.

We started by ringing MRS. ANNETTE, the letting officer for the GROSVENOR HOUSING ASSOC. at their ST. HELEN's H.Q.
She told us that the tenancy agreement signed by JOE stated quite clearly that he had to give a full *calendar* months notice.
JOE gave his notice on 16th Oct. but he should have given it two weeks earlier if he wanted to avoid paying rent up to the end of Nov.
We told MRS. ANNETTE that JOE understood that but had felt pressured to move into the TAMESIDE flat right away once it came up, and now had the problem of finding money for two lots of rent and all the cost of removal. MRS. ANNETTE sympathised but said there was no way they could interview new tenants for JOE's flat in the two weeks his notice had left them, so JOE would have to cough up.
Seems just a *little* hard to us MRS. ANNETTE.□

Direct Works

Why, asked EYE reader MRS. JONES of the WEST PARK high-rise council estate in ASHTON, has TAMESIDE Direct Works Dept. taken nearly three months to do something about bad fire damage on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th floor of ELLISON HOUSE Tower block?

We rang MR. FORDY, the officer in charge of fire-damage at Direct Works.
He said there had been no delay. Direct Works had simply been following the normal procedure by drawing up a specification for the job.
For three months?
Well, said MR. FORDY, we had to get a suitable contractor as well.
Why had that taken three months, then?
We are not allowed to divulge that kind of information, said MR. FORDY, suspiciously.
But, he added, we have now got a contractor ARMITAGES OF HYDE and he should be starting work soon, said MR. FORDY.
Really ? laughed MRS. JONES sceptically when we rang her back.□

Shoparound

EYE READER MR YOUNG of LADBROKE GROVE ASHTON rang to see if we could do anything about the £12 worth of clothes his daughter MARLENE had ordered and paid for from SHOPAROUND mail order last MARCH, but which still hand't turned up.

We rang MRS.J.MOYLAN at SHOPAROUND's Customer Dept. on 2nd floor of GAINSBOROUGH HOUSE, 109 PORTLAND ST. MANCHESTER.
We told MRS. MOYLAN how MARLENE YOUNG had filled in three different SHOPAROUND forms; had been to the SHOPAROUND offices three times; how she had written personally; and how her mother had been in, and telephoned first to try and get the goods that MARLENE had paid for and then to get her money back.
MRS. MOYLAN said she'd never seen MRS. YOUNG or heard of her daughter's problem.
MRS. YOUNG says this is rubbish. She has a letter signed by MRS. MOYLAN boasting how SHOPAROUND 'takes great pride in processing orders in 48 hours'.
MRS. MOYLAN said that she would send MARLENE a form to fill in.
We reminded her that the YOUNGs were sick and tired of filling in useless forms.
So, MRS. MOYLAN said she'd ring the YOUNGs personally.
She did, and promised to 'look into it'.
But several days later nothing has happened.
We'll be keeping our eyes on SHOPAROUND.□

Mottram's Dallas

The DEREK HARTLE *saga- TAMESIDE'S very own real life DALLAS - continues. With former machine tool millionaire DEREK of MOTTRAM OLD HALL well on the way to making that famous clogs-to-clogs journey in only one generation.*
Following the official bankrupcy of the once-profitable DEREK HARTLE LTD last summer, DEREK is now reported to be selling the MOTTRAM OLD HALL stables, and one of the two ex-servants cottages in the grounds. (DEREK himself sharing the other cottage with the attractive lady he disappeared to France with earlier this year).
The cottage has gone to a ROCHDALE doctor for around £50,000. The doctor, incidentally, is said to have Socialist leanings- which should provoke interesting door-step discussions with high-TORY DEREK.
The stables are being converted into expensive mews flats by BRIAN HOLLAND of 4 SHELDERSLOW RD. SPRINGHEAD. BRIAN formerly of HOLLAND AND MOSELEY, PORTLAND PLACE, STALYBRIDGE, is best known for his profitable property deals in HOLLINGWORTH where he renovates old stone houses for MANCHESTER sophisticates seeking after the good-life including we understand PAT PHOENIX of CORONATION ST. fame.
BRIAN's other interests include that large restaurant (whose name we forget) next to the OLD TIP pub in GAMESLEY.□

☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Damp Proof Cowboys

When is a 20 year guarantee not a 20 year guarantee?
When it's issued by BROADWAY DAMP COURSE SPECIALISTS LTD of STALYBRIDGE.

We were contacted by a lady whose mother (a pensioner) had had some work done by BROADWAY DAMP COURSE SPECIALISTS LTD. and was rather less than satisfied with it.
An outside wall in her semi-detached house had been affected by serious penetrating damp, so she consulted the "Services for the Home" ads in the Reporter and picked BROADWAY.
On 16th Jan this year they treated the wall with chemical damp proofing and having been paid £80 cash they left promising to carry out a check in two weeks time.
They gave what appeared to be a 20 year guarantee, but closer reading of the small print revealed that the guarantee was for treatment of *rising* damp only, so for this job it was worthless.

fungus

The promised two week check was not carried out and the first hard rain showed that no improvement had been made, in fact so bad had the damp become that fungus began sprouting from the wall.
BROADWAY were finally persuaded to come and inspect the wall in March and their advice was *wash the wall in neat bleach.*
Once again they promised to return in two weeks, but did not do so.

By this time the customer was so fed up she went to the Citizens Advice Bureau.

They rang 303 0090, the number on BROADWAY DAMP COURSE SPECIALISTS letter heading.
The man who answered said he had just bought the business.
This was odd because the number Citizens Advice rang was at 22, Coniston Ave, Stalybridge which is still the council house address of one Mr. J. WARDLE, whose signature appeared at the bottom of the original damp proofing bill.

bucket

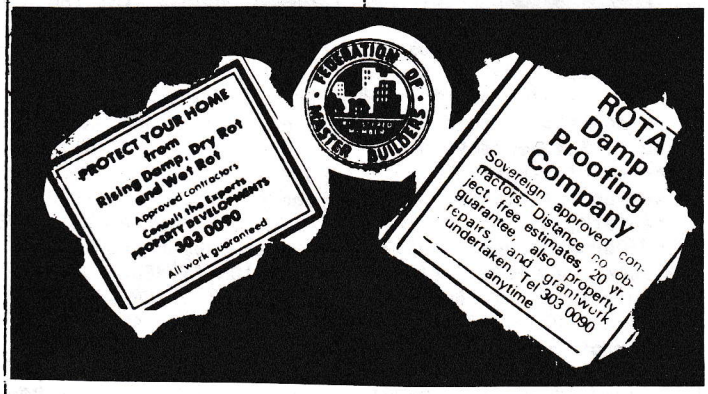
But, eventually (in Oct.) BROADWAY called to inspect the job, threw a bucket of the same chemical over the offending outside wall, claimed the damp was due to faulty brickwork and left (making no mention of a refund).

federation

The bill heading used by BROADWAY DAMP PROOF SPECIALISTS LTD carries the crest of THE FEDERATION OF MASTER BUILDERS.
We rang the Federation and they say BROADWAY are not, and never have been members.
The phone number 303 0090 appears in two current ads in local papers, one for "PROPERTY DEVELOPMENTS" the other for "ROTA DAMP PROOFING COMPANY"

The ad for 'ROTA' claims they are a 'SOVEREIGN' approved contractor. We rang SOVEREIGN, the entirely reputable manufacturers of the proofing chemical and they say they have never heard of ' ROTA DAMP PROOFING'.

We tried ringing 303 0090 but all we got was a recorded message asking us to leave our name and number and promising to deal with our enquiry promptly.□



Close Encounter Controversy

Inexperienced TAMESIDE youth club leaders have run in tears from official training sessions regarded by some experienced local community workers as 'irrelevant' and even 'damaging'.

Youth workers who attend the basic training sessions run by BETTY MAAS and ARTHUR CLAY are subjected to 'frightening personal explorations' which can threaten their own sense of identity and damage their ability to work with youths afterwards, claim Youth and Community workers interviewed by EYE.

The sessions - similar to group therapy work pioneered amongst people with psychiatric problems have caused emotional trainees to 'run out screaming'. One experienced community worker told EYE that in his opinion the training creates staff knowing no more about the problems of youth or how to deal with them than before.'
Another worker told EYE of one part time worker who walked away from a fight in a youth club to 'examine her personal attitudes towards it.'
She had just come off a 'basic training course' and someone else had to break up the fight.
The bitterness of full-time community workers about the training courses is further fuelled by the fact that their part time staff have to take time off to attend them, leaving the remaining staff to cover.

Mr. Clay

Full time workers in TAMESIDE produced an alternative training course to the scheme some years ago which, they say ARTHUR CLAY the Principal YOUTH AND COMMUNITY OFFICER, refused to discuss.
More recently the workers Union C.Y.S.A. attempted to organise a union training scheme.
We rang ARTHUR CLAY to get his views.
He expressed 'sadness that innovations in training aren't appreciated by full time staff' and suggested that the workers who came out of his training sessions often have 'ideas in advance of full time staff who , he said' haven't taken the first steps towards letting kids participate in decision making'.
He blamed full time Polytechnic courses for the inadequate training received by full time staff, and suggested that his own course was designed to produce part time workers who would be able to encourage self-determination amongst young people.
His course forced people 'to understand themselves' so that they could 'understand others'. This process, he admitted, 'could often be painful'.□

EXACTLY A YEAR AGO WE TOOK OUR FIRST LOOK AT LOCAL FREEMASONS. WE NAMED NAMES AND LODGES. AND REVEALED SOME OF THE BIZARRE RITUALS OF THIS MOST SECRET OF SECRET SOCIETIES.
YOU'VE BEEN ASKING FOR MORE EVER SINCE.
SO HERE IT IS...

MORE MASONIC SECRETS...

If you like good food, fine booze and lots of time off from the wife, and learning nonsense by heart, THE MASONS are just the job for you.

Take EDWARD ARCHER of 73 GROSVENOR RD. HYDE. He started off with one trouser leg rolled up and a noose round his neck humbly seeking admittance to NEWTON LODGE. But nowadays he's the chapter"scribe", the "scribe" of its "Royal Arch chapter", and officer of the "Grand Lodge of Mark Masons", a "holy Royal Arch Knight temple priest", a "Grand Officer of the Grand Lodge of England", and , believe it or not, the "recorder" of the "St. Oswald Tabernacle". (You never know what your neighbours are up to do you?).

Another past-master of Masonic mumbo jumbo is the good Doctor LIVINGSTONE of Clarendon Rd. HYDE. He's an officer of the Grand Lodge of England, a member of the "Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons" and umpteen other obscure lodges and chapters each with their own meetings and feed-ups and odd membership rituals

But local figures like DENNIS THOMAS (the TAMESIDE Mayor's chaplain) flock to join where they meet builders like SAM KELLY of AUDENSHAW, PETER LOMAS of G.A. LOMAS LTD., (who have a site office in GEE CROSS). There are steeple-jacks and haulage contractors like JACK DEVLIN of Mottram Rd. HYDE, former Labour Councillors like TOM ETCHELLS J.P., a member of UNION Lodge in ASHTON, farmers and furniture dealers like GEORGE HOUGH of LITTLEMOSS, ex-TORY Councillors like DONALD THORPE and SAM HALL, who sat with his MASONIC Brethren DEREK HARTLE and PHILIP DAWSON on STALYBRIDGE Council for many years

Fancy the life? Tough! You've got to be asked to join by an existing mason. □

Rituals.....

The curious gentleman in the photograph is " *a poor candidate in a state of darkness...humbly soliciting to be admitted to the mysteries and privileges of FREEMASONRY*".

Now isn't it a comforting thought that all those local company directors and civil servants and builders all have to look as daft as that before they're allowed to *be* FREEMASONS?

No matter how rich a candidate *really* is, he has to be stripped of money and valuables at his initiation to "*symbolise his poverty*". (Don't worry, he gets them all back afterwards! A bit like being admitted to prison really, isn't it?) He's got the noose, or "cable tow" around his neck, to symbolise his "humility"; he's blindfolded to symbolise his "*state of spiritual darkness*"; and at the climax of the ceremony he is asked "*what is the predominant wish of his heart?*", and he replies "*Light*" at which point the assembled brethren all clap their hands, the blindfold is removed, and he "*beholds the lodge*". Soon after that they all have a big piss-up and gorge to celebrate. *Incidentally, don't ask us why the trouser leg is rolled up, because we do not know. But we are reliably informed that humble candidates who don't want to get their trouser creases messed up thereby, are allowed to wear pyjamas!* □

How the KNOTTs tied up CARRBROOK

HOW A WELL-KNOWN FAMILY OF LOCAL LANDLORDS AND PROPERTY DEVELOPERS MADE A MINT FROM THE DECLINE OF A TINY STALYBRIDGE TEXTILE VILLAGE.

In 1972 VANTREX PROPERTIES LTD, a company owned by JOSEPH and DAVID KNOTT of 373 MOTTRAM RD. STALYBRIDGE, bought the whole of CARRBROOK village from ENGLISH CALICO LIMITED at a knock-down price.

For their money, the canny KNOTTS, who also own STALYBRIDGE CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB and a score of other companies, got the big BUCKTON VALE PRINTING WORKS, the old works manager's mansion (which they quickly moved into) a lot of prime building land, already zoned for residential development, and the 83 'tied' cottages still occupied by many of the 500 workers CALICO employed before they sold out to the giant textile group TOOTALS in 1973.

Through their agents, the KNOTTS sent every one of their new tenants a letter saying they intended to ' bring further development to the area' and 'improve the community'.

In fact, the KNOTTS did neither of these things.

- They let former CALICO property to two companies -BOWER GRINDING RUBBER CO. and CHEMSTAR LTD. who provided only a handful of jobs but did much to make community life in the old village unbearable. The smelly BOWER GRINDING was eventually served with a council enforcement order and moved down the valley to MILLBROOK. CHEMSTAR with its chemical stinks, rackets and regular pollution of CARRBROOK itself eventually removed itself in an explosion that nearly destroyed the whole village last SEPTEMBER.
- They refused to sell land around the old CARRBROOK rubbish tip to Tameside council who wanted it to provide the local community with much-needed park and playing space. The KNOTTS wanted it for more profitable housing development and they are currently appealing to the Dept of the Environment against Tameside's peeved refusal to let them do that.
- And finally, according to some of their oldest tenants, the KNOTTS have not been good land lords. They only do 'unavoidable' repairs' they havn't updated the aging and potentially hazardous electric wiring in some of their properties and they have failed to keep the worst of them wind and weatherproof.▷

CONTINUED P.12

THE SCHOOL LEAVER AND THE BUSINESSMAN

(A tale of of our times)

thoro glaze ltd.

How ROY and CHRISTOPHER GARNER of CHESHIRE made a mint out of their double glazing company and LYNN DEEGAN of ASHTON didn't.

LYNN DEEGAN had left school for nearly a year and was desperate for work when she answered an ad that promised lucrative selling work in the MANCHESTER EVENING NEWS.

She was invited to an interview at the offices of THOROGLAZE LTD at 62/66 DEANSGATE M/CR., who have a factory in HYDE.

She found 15 or so other applicants most of whom, she says, were about her own age. They were all waiting to be addressed by the company's Training Manager NEIL CONWAY.

CONWAY described the job. It appears to have a lot of advantages for THOROGLAZE but very few for the would-be salespeople.

They would be self-employed, said CONWAY.

The company would therefore not pay their insurance stamps, organise their tax or be liable to provide sick or holiday pay. Their work would involve going out to likely looking estates in groups of four with an experienced THOROGLAZE salesman or 'manager'.

The team would then trudge from door to door interviewing householders looking for likely customers or 'leads' that the manager would follow up later and convert into firm contracts.

They would be paid on commission, only if their leads turned into contracts. MR. CONWAY told the assembled interviewees of an amazing salesperson who started out just like them, only the previous week she had taken home £170.

LYNN also claims that CONWAY told her that they could get expenses if no sales were made.

Door Openers

The applicants who didnot leave immediately were then given several days training. They learnt how to talk their way into houses using what THOROGLAZE call 'door openers'.

EYE is in possession of a sheet of 'door openers' received by LYNN during her training period.

One is clearly misleading.

"Good evening, my name is XXX and I'm from a large Manchester based co. involved in obtaining home economy statistics and I need to speak to all the families and couples on the estate for five mins , you can spare five minutes can't you? '

And another appears to be an outright lie.

'Hello...I'm here to apologise because we had a person who came round the area a short while ago and I'm afraid he made a complete mess of the job. So, I'm here to go over it all with the couples in the area,so could you just spare me a couple of minutes, well couldn't you? Yes!! '

In her week and a half of work with THOROGLAZE LYNN received no payment either for wages or expenses, but had to fork out for bus fares and lunches amounting in her first week to £12 out of her weekly dole of £30 (£16 of which went to her mother for keep.)

When LYNN and three others were taken out on a job with her manager she made one 'lead' on the first day and four on the next. But the Manager reported that none of them had been turned into firm contracts, so she got no commission.

Later, LYNN approached the Training Manager for some expenses.

He said that he'd 'get back to her'

But he didn't.

She was then offered more selling work, this time in BLACKPOOL the following SUNDAY. But she couldn't accept it because she no longer had enough money to pay her bus fare into town!

And so LYNN left the employ of THOROGLAZE LTD with nothing to show for her efforts but sore feet and bus tickets.

We rang MR. CONWAY at THOROGLAZE to put several questions to him

- Did he think that 17/18 year olds were capable of managing their own tax and insurance stamps when adult self employed businessmen tended to need an accountant to help them with these things?
- Didn't he think that THOROGLAZE had been morally, if not legally obliged to provide LYNN with some money for canvassing an area for them even though her manager said no sales had been made?
- Wasn't THOROGLAZE in fact taking advantage of young people prepared to take ANY job in a time of mass unemployment, and training them to tell lies and half truths in order to sell their product?

When we first got through to THOROGLAZE we were told MR. CONWAY was interviewing and would phone back.

He didn't. So we tried again and were told by the Receptionist that MR. CONWAY 'wasn't interested'.

We persisted in offering the opportunity to comment and eventually a man broke into the line claiming to be the THOROGLAZE Personnel Manager.

He said that the 'opportunities' for earning money at THOROGLAZE were very good but when questioned further got flustered and abruptly claimed not to be the Personnel Manager at all but a simple worker having a joke.

He then said he would put us through to MR. CONWAY.

MR. CONWAY said that the first man, a MR. GREY, had been 'acting on his behalf' in speaking to us.

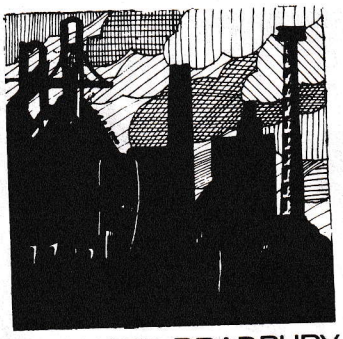
Gentlemen?

In response to our questions MR. CONWAY denied having promised LYNN expenses whether she sold anything or not.

He thought that LYNN had misunderstood him and was in fact referring to the gentlemans agreement whereby THOROGLAZE Managers (who are also self-employed) sometimes give their team expenses out of their own pockets during bad weeks.

He said that the sheet of 'door'openers' LYNN had given us weren't all used, or recommended

cont.on p.10



LEONARD BRADBURY

TARR VERY MUCH

In EYE 25 we said the TARR family of MOSSLEY were tight-fisted for paying female 'wire-bag lacers' at their firm LEONARD BRADBURY's LTD. as little as £25 net for a 28 hr. week.
We can now reveal that the TARR's are not only tight-fisted but very very rich.

The latest available company accounts for BRADBURY'S show a pre-tax profit of £219,448, 'reserves' of £728,326, £82,986 worth of tax relief and a dividend of £145.402.

And all these sums were well up on the previous year.
Funnily enough the BRADBURY Directors-who have told their workers that they can't afford a reasonable wage increase-don't give details of their own pay in accounts.
But the fact that DENNIS TARR can afford a large green ROLLS and a house on MOTTRAM OLD RD. in STALYBRIDGE gives some indication. And so do the addresses of his fellow directors:
MAJOR ROBIN TARR of SCOUT HOUSE, MOSSLEY.
Chairman ANTHONY EDWYNNE ROSS SEYMOUR of KNUTSFORD in CHESHIRE and WILLIAM GODDARD of HALE BARNS in CHESHIRE.
All these men are directors or shareholders of the BRADBURY holding co. BRADY INDUSTRIES LTD. which turned over £20,785,159 worth of goods in '80/81 giving a pre-tax profit of £465,961 (compared to £146,000 the previous year).
Shareholders shared a dividend of £561,079 at the incredible rate of 11.6p per share. □

A bumper bag of stinky, smelly, noisy individuals and institutions to celebrate the return of this column to the paper.....

How's about the AMBULANCE HQ on ZETLAND ST. DUKINFIELD, where neighbours have been complaining about night time noises from discos etc.
It's bad enough having ambulance drivers disco dancing on your door step but what's the etc. involve? ...then there's the odour from the Housing Office in DENTON Smelly civil servants, disgraceful!

On the factory stinkers, there's BOWER GRINDING of MICKLEHURST (again!) and CHEMSTAR (again, but we thought they'd blown themselves up?) and SMITH BROTHERS OF HYDE (whose disgusting smell is becoming something of a TAMESIDE institution-they'll start naming streets after it soon.)
Then there's the newcomers.
Like J & M HEATHCOTE on CLARENCE ST. ASHTON who appear to have deposited 'white powder' on all the trees thereabouts. Early Christmas decorations ?
Last, but not least, we notice that SHADES, the STALYBRIDGE night club owned by local swinger PETER JESSOP has had a legal notice served on it for the noises made by its carousing drunks at night (Some of whom-we note- are of the TAMESIDE councillor persuasion.) □

LAWRENCE SCOTT

SNAPS

Droylsden photographer PETER JEPSON had a mysterious phone call the other week. It was from the personnel manager of LAWRENCE SCOTTS the controversial strife torn OPENSHAW factory.
LEES wanted MR. JEPSON who had done photographic work for SCOTTS before to do a rush job for SCOTTS the following day.
What? asked JEPSON.
We want you to take photographs of all the people on the picket line outside the factory, replied LEES.
MR. JEPSON then asked LEES why he wanted the photos.
LEES said he couldn't tell him but *' he would pay handsomely - probably the best pay you've ever had.'*
But, JEPSON insisted on knowing the nature of the assignment. Saying he couldn't be expected to take photographs properly without knowing what he was looking for and what the photographs would be used for.
At last LEES relented.
'O.K.' he said *'I'll tell you.'*
He explained that SCOTTS had taken out a court injunction against the picketing and he wanted the photographs to be used as evidence.
MR. JEPSON then objected that he would have to appear in court.
LEES agreed but said he'd *'be paid for it.'*
In the same telephone conversation LEES explained to JEPSON that LAWRENCE SCOTT were considering taking on 175 of their sacked workers but wanted a 'balanced workforce' *which wouldn't necessarily include those on the picket line.*
MR. JEPSON told us that he got a definite impression that the photographs would be used to identify pickets later. He refused the assignment.
SCOTT workers confirm, however, that photographers *were* present the following day. □

WILLIAMSONS

POOR ALICE

When ALICE HALKYARD was made redundant from WILLIAMSONS ticket works behind WHEELS in ASHTON she must have secretly thought that her bosses JOHN,FRANK and ALFRED WILLIAMSON would have done *something* to recognise her 62 years of service with only one late arrival.
But she was mistaken.
A fellow worker reports that the cousins WILLIAMSON- who sold off the works to a developer for an undisclosed sum didn't even give her a special goodbye to add to the standard redundancy pay she and the other scrapped workers got for their pains. □

JONES LTD.

SEWN UP

As the 250 or so non-Unionised workers at JONES SEWING MACHINES LTD. of SHEPLEY ST. AUDENSHAW await their yearly rises from management we thought some information about their company's finances might be of help.

In 1980 the company turned over £12,893,063 worth of imported RUSSIAN, TAIWANESE and KOREAN sewing machines. £492,778 of accumulated profits went straight into the bank, and £77,696 went to the directors. But the company reported a loss of £154,058 before tax.

But this loss isn't necessarily all it seems.
95% of the company's total purchases are made from affiliated companies, so the loss at the Guide Bridge factory might simply reflect higher prices being charged, and higher profits being made, by sister companies.
JONES is owned by the massive BROTHER INTERNATIONAL Ltd. of TOKYO and most of the directors are Japs who live abroad. But local directors include 53 yr. old TOMMY TRINDLE of 12 EXETER CLOSE, LYNDON PARK, CHEADLE, 47 yr. old JOHN DAY of MARPLE and KAZUAKI TAZAKI who lives with wife MARIE at "FAR LEYS", 5 WEST PARK, GEE CROSS, HYDE amongst some of TAMESIDE's wealthiest and most powerful folk. □

IN COUNCIL

Phones on tap

Did you know that the silicone-chip phones installed in the DUSTBIN were not only the most modern system in the country (and probably the most expensive) but also contain an automatic bugging device on all outside lines!

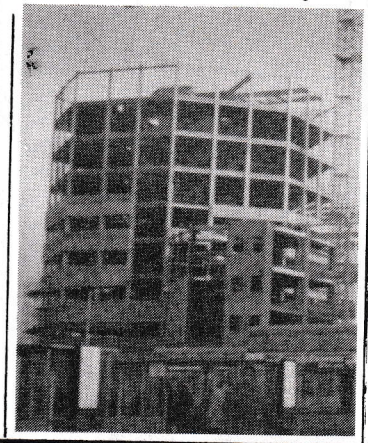
The bug listens in randomly to make sure that naughty civil servants aren't chatting up their spouses, fancy men, or girl-friends on the Q.T. They also mean, of course, that big brother will be listening into YOUR legitimate conversation with TAMESIDE.

This wonderful phone system can also be programmed to dial calls for you and keep on dialling if the line is engaged, and it will even route a call you have been waiting for to whatever office you've gone off to.

There is no truth in the rumour that these phones are also programmed to slap your face if you get too fresh at the office party! □

THE DUST BIN...

As we write, the complete unexpurgated collection of TAMESIDE red-tape is being gathered together from a hundred thousand files, drawers and waste paper bins in a thousand dusty offices, packed in to countless tea-chests, thrown onto vans and transported at great cost to that £11m SUPER DUSTBIN in THE centre of ASHTON, where it will, in future, live, feed and grow to even greater proportions. A frightening prospect! □



pinstripes

And apart from the cost of actually moving all the bureaucratic junk to the DUSTBIN there's the additional costs of buying new trousers and dresses for the civil servants who accidentally rip them on sharp edges of filing cabinets pencil sharpeners and guillotines

They're entitled to claim for the costs of damaged clothing from TAMESIDE. □

Going down!

And the very day that everyone started moving into the centre the brand new spanking lifts broke down! Which is another reason to expect delays in getting anything out of there, because all the files that have to go up the lifts to get to their new office homes had to be stored down at the bottom while the lifts got fixed! □

Tiles

Interesting to note that the accoustic tiles installed throughout THE DUSTBIN are exactly the same, except for those installed in the offices of CHIEF EXECUTIVE DAVID SPIERS.

All accoustic tiles are equal -it's just that some accoustic tiles are MORE equal than others. □

Astro-Turf

The grass recreation area at the centre of the DUST BIN is not going to be covered in real TURF but plastic ASTRO-TURF.

We sincerely hope that the civil servants who will be taking lunchtime strolls there don't take too many dogs along. And what, we wonder do the gardeners of NUPE think of this ASTRO-TURF. It doesn't grow, or suffer from weeds, and so will do them out of work. Perhaps an arrangement could be made where by a team of NUPE gardeners specially trained in mime by the Libraries and Arts Dept. could pretend to mow it, thus saving jobs and providing employment. □

Chaos

In the meantime, whilst chaos reigns supreme in TAMESIDES corridors of power, don't get too impatient about that RATE REBATE, RENT REBATE, council house repair or students grant you've been waiting for - theyve probably lost the tea-chest! □

BUBBLES!

BUBBLES! is back with a photo featuring two anonymous gents displaying what appears to be a suit-case full of biz! Maybe its black puddings. Anyhow, if you have any funny ideas for what one or other of the gents could be saying, pop them on a postcard to TAMESIDE EYE, PO BOX 30, HYDE, CHESHIRE. Winning entries get printed, and a free subscription to this noble organ. □

House For Sale

4 Sandbed Lane,

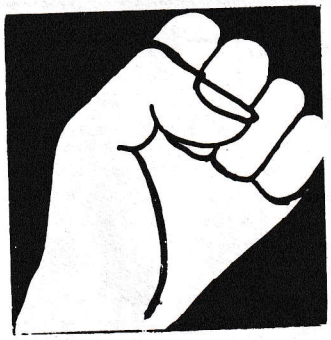
Top Mossley.

A well designed, split-level, semi-detatched house. Situated in a quiet cul-de-sac close to the village centre and all amenities, this desirable property affords panoramic views of the Saddleworth valley. Accomodation comprises a full length lounge, kitchen, dining room, three bedrooms, separate bathroom and W.C. Full central heating, double-glazing and wall, cavity and loft insulation. Easily maintained gardens, garden-house, shed and detached brick garage.

OFFERS AROUND £25000

TEL.Saddleworth 2212

YOUR RIGHTS



Tenants house repairs *Part Two*

How quickly can you get your repairs done?

Private tenants should ask the council's Environmental Health Dpt to send an inspector to visit them. If the repairs are urgent or serious (roof leaking and ceiling likely to collapse or blocked drains making toilets unusable) the inspector can serve a 9 day notice (section 26 of the 1961 public health act) and if the landlord does not tell the council within 7 days that he is going to do the repairs the council can do the work themselves.
Toilets and drains can be cleared within 48 hours (section 17 of the 1961 public health act) by the council if the landlord fails to act.

Getting repairs done yourself.

All tenants have the right to get the repairs done themselves and to deduct the cost from their rent BUT care must be taken to follow all necessary steps. You begin by asking your landlord to do the repairs (in writing, always keep copies of letters). If you receive no satisfactory response you must warn the landlord you intend to have the repairs carried out in default (give a time limit for a reply, again keep copies of your letters).

Obtain at least two estimates from contractors and send these to your landlord. Finally, notify your landlord that if he does not take action the contractor will be notified to do the work and the cost will be deducted by you from your rent. (Your legal right to do this was established in the High Court in 1971 in the case of Lee-Parker v Izzett).

Care should be taken, and it is better to seek advice before acting. You need to be sure that you are a protected tenant (you are probably not protected if your landlord lives in the same house, if you have room cleaning or linen changing services or if you signed a 'holiday let' or 'licence' agreement.

Remember, you may be entitled to free legal assistance under the Legal Aid Scheme. Court cases cost you nothing if you win and you can be awarded compensation for any injury, loss or damage. You may find that the threat of legal action will be enough to get your landlord to do the repairs.
Tenants Assoc's can help to put pressure on the landlord. Why not form one with your neighbours? Remember collective action is often the fastest way to get things done!□

New Numbe

If you wish to contact us in future, please note our new telephone number:-

Mossley 3424 or 366 0382

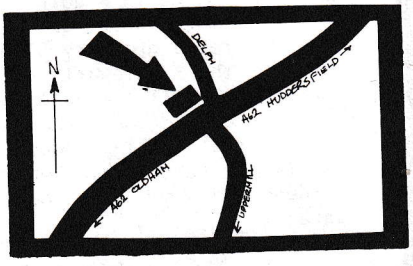
Cont. from p.7

by THOROGLAZE for trainees to use. Only one 'door-opener' on that sheet had been used in training he said and the rest, including the two mentioned in this article were simply ' ideas bandied around by salesmen.' He was particularly proud of the selling system o f 'leads' and 'managers' which he claimed THOROGLAZE had pioneered and had since been copied by 'cowboy companies'.
LYNNs case he implied was the exception rather than the rule at THOROGLAZE.
He did admit however that trainees were not specifically instructed to ignore the other 'door openers' on that sheet.
He did agree that THOROGLAZE had been morally obliged to provide LYNN with some money but suggested that it was partly LYNNs own fault for leaving before the next pay day. He personally, said MR. CONWAY, often 'argued with the Managing Director' in favour of giving expenses to salespeople who hadn't made firm sales that week. He did this, he said, to keep people on. And all THOROGLAZE salespeople are told to keep a proportion of their income for tax purposes and have access to an accountant if they stay four months.
But, he admitted that THOROGLAZE have a big turnover of staff.
He couldn't say HOW MANY left every week.
The problem was, he said, that parents got worried about their youngsters working late far away from home.
If was official company policy to encourage 'managers' to visit parents to reassure them and give them 'peace of mind'. Unfortunately, he said, managers didn't always do this.
He concluded by saying that THOROGLAZE had been in business for eight or nine years and 'taking advantage of people wasn't to the companies advantage.

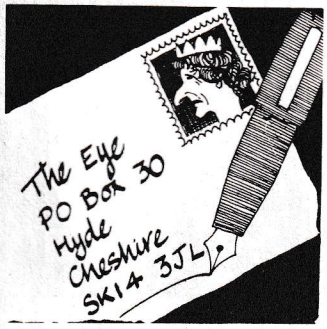
THOROGLAZE LTD is a wholly owned subsidiary of the LONDON-based THERMIAC LTD. Both companies are owned and run very profitably by CHRISTOPHER GARNER of THE FIRS, FULSHAW PARK, WILMSLOW and ROY GARNER of PADDOCK HILL, HEYBRIDGE LANE, PRESTBURY.
The latest available company accounts show THOROGLAZE LTD producing a pre tax profit of £277,624 in 1979, compared to £98,511 the previous year.
In addition the company succeeded in 'carrying forward' £219,873 worth of reserves.
LYNN is still unemployed.□

DELPHINIUM

We stock a wide selection of vintage clothes, jewellery, accessories and bric-a-brac. Most items can be hired. Goods bought.
Delphinium, Delph, OL3 5EB



LETTERS



Sunnyrose

DEAR EYE,

The remarks regarding the Sunnyrose Cafe, Mossley are somewhat biased. Even the proprietors name is in - correct- suggesting that the facts have not been adequately checked. Those of us involved in working with Mr. and Mrs. Hulston are aware that they have given a remarkably unique service to those Tameside people who either by misfortune or misdemeanour become homeless. There are always dissenters who loudly complain but most people appreciate not having to walk the streets when they are homeless.
Over several years literally many people have found refuge at the Sunnyrose cafe and can testify to the caring treatment received there. The door is open to all regardless of past history and the only two provisos are explained to everyone and accepted by reasonable people as being necessary for the efficient running of the establishment.
Residents are asked to be in by midnight because the landlord and landlady work hard, have to rise early and not unreasonably, wish to ensure that all is locked up before they retire for the night.
So that rooms and the cafe can be cleaned and the evening meals prepared residents are also expected to leave after breakfast.
They are welcome to return after 5.00pm for evening meal and use the comfortable lounge with 22" colour TV during the evening.
Anyone who understands dogs can appreciate that the large Alsation is a friendly pet and always well controlled, otherwise it would not have been possible for children of all ages to stay there.
Mr. and Mrs. Hulston in fact deserve bouquets for what they do not brick bats.

ANON
(Name and address supplied)

Bombs

DEAR EYE,
We read with interest the letters page of the current issue of the 'Bomb'.
It would seem that like it or not the matter is out of our hands.
No matter how much the 'State' claims to be democratic in practice our 'elected' representatives (?) have taken it on themselves to be our masters.
No practical solution came from the mass protests during the '60's and why should it be any different in the '80's? The faces may have changed but the 'State' remains the same.
It is NOT our intention to put cold water on what is a life and death struggle our interest is only to bring about a satisfactory conclusion in stopping the missiles being brought or set-up in this country.
It is up to the key minority of workers to take a bold and decisive stand in stopping these missiles whether they be civilian or State-employees.
The State says that we are vulnerable to attack (after many years of jingoistic yappings and snapping at the ankles of the sleeping Bear).
We say that it is better to be 'vulnerable' than to be a target.
Yours,
Mike Smith
pp TAMESIDE DAM
164/6 Corn Exchange Bldg.
MANCHESTER.

Rates

DEAR SIR/MADAM

Please would it be possible for you to enquire into the differences in household rates in similar properties.
I enclose the Agents Sales details for properties within 50 yds of our house.
Our house is of a similar age, the ground floor consists of hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen - 16'x 14', 15' x 14', 13' x 12', small service cellar, yard, carport (no outside WC)
First floor - 4 beds 16' x 14', 14' x 12', 9'x 6', 10' x 8' bathroom with WC.
Second floor - floor area 30' x 20' no clear defined bedrooms, our central heating is to ground and first floor only.
Forecourt front garden.
The rateable amount due is £303.88. Why is there a difference of £81. p.a?
I have been told that rates are determined by rentable attraction of property (a large property in Millbrook, beautifully modernised had rates of about £130 pa - Rothwells for sale)
The only difference between situations of Stamford St. and this is it is on a main road (this road used to be a through road until seven years ago) But, according to the powers that be the nearer your property is to local facilities the higher the rates.
Although the whole calculation of rates requires investigation please do not take this complaint as a personal vendetta against the owners of the properties I mention. It is the whole system.
Also, please do not quote my name or the address of my home.
Yours sincerely,

EYE READER.

Tenure	Long leasehold - Ground Rent £5.50
Rateable Value	£179
Inspection	By appointment with Cordingleys
Price	£25,000 (TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS) OR NEAR OFFER

RATES

Rates payable for 1981/82 are £222.94 based on a Rateable Value of £157. Water and sewerage charges are extra.

TENURE

Freehold and free from chief rent.

PRICE

Offers in the region of £38,000 are invited.

Knotts

(Cont from Page 6)

What the KNOTTS have made out of CARRBROOK, is money.

In 1970 Prenwain Developments, the KNOTTS holding company, made a pre-tax profit of only £41,000. In 1972 it was £220,000 and in 1973 it was £269,000.
The companies' Carrbrook dealings made a substantial contribution to these increases.

Pick a figure...

In June 1972, three months after buying the tied cottages from CALICO for £500 each VANTREK PROPERTIES LTD was offering to sell them back to the sitting tenants for £2,000 each. A deal offering the KNOTTS a clear 400% profit for no extra outlay, and a potential windfall gain of well over £120,000 if all 83 cottages were sold!

In fact all 83 cottages didn't go at once, but over the years most have, and for a good deal more than £2,000 each.

Then double it

Three years later the KNOTTS were offering to sell the remaining cottages to sitting tenants for £4,000!
Very little had been done to them since 1972 but the KNOTTS were presenting the offer as a bargain because they were selling the same cottages to outsiders for £6,000 each!

This 1975 offer was accompanied by an interesting little letter. It kindly drew the attention of their aging tenants to a 'new law' which allowed landlords to make big increases in rent 'far in excess' of the sums their CARRBROOK tenants were currently paying.
Therefore', the letter went on, the KNOTTS were once again offering the tenants the 'opportunity of buying their house'.

A year or so later the KNOTTS used the 38 properties they still owned in the village as collateral for raising a mortgage from EDWARD MANSION AND CO. of GREAT PORTLAND ST. LONDON.
And even now-though only 29 of the original 83 houses remain in the hands of the KNOTTS they are still making money out of them.

Fair Rent?

PENNINE COMMERCIAL HOLDINGS LTD, another KNOTT company have just taken the tenants to a fair rents tribunal and look like getting the go-ahead to double the rents from £3.90 a week to £7. Not a lot, agree the tenants, but more than some can easily afford and a lot more than the KNOTTs deserve. One tenant showed EYE a list of much-needed repairs he had given to VANTREK PROPERTIES back in 72. It included loose slates, leaking gutters, and rotting window frames. None of those repairs, says the tenant, have been done.
For the KNOTTS didn't move into CARRBROOK to repair old terraced houses or -despite their claims- to 'improve the community'. They moved in because they smelt a profit. And the last remnant of the old textile community they bought up have lost out because they wouldn't, or couldn't fit in with that scheme.

In the next issue, we look at property speculation in the new Carrbrook village.

Hallo Readers!

How heart-warming it was to see TAMESIDE's grossly underpaid Chief Executive DAVID SPIERS, letting his hair down so *staggeringly* at a party I recently attended in the CHARLESWORTH area. DAVID was- how shall I put it? *awash* with party spirit and, though obviously *very, very tired* managed to remain more or less on his feet for 12 hours, not leaving the revelries till 6am the following morning.
His friend was just as entertaining providing, with a lady friend, an exhibition of intimate ball-room dancing such as CHARLESWORTH has not seen for donkeys years.
But, imagine my admiration for the stamina of her man when, as I knocked back my first pink gin of the following Sunday I saw him enter the HUNTERS hostelry only a few short hours after leaving that exhausting party.

Wretch

The Mill Gallery
Wedneshough Green,
Hollingworth, Hyde.
LOCAL SCENES
original drawings & prints by Jim Andrew
From Saturday 14 November 11am-5pm
wine will be served at our Open Day
(A57 Turn left at Gun Inn lights)
Framing service Other prints available

TAMESIDE EYE
PHONE: Mossley 3424
366 0382
WRITE: PO Box 30,
Hyde, Cheshire
SK 14 3JL

NEXT ISSUE
EYE 29 out
SAT. 12th DEC.

ADVERTISING RATES:
Full Page £60
Half Page £30
Quarter Page £15
Eighth Page £8
15% Off for 2 Inserts
25% Off for 4 Inserts
35% Off for 6 Inserts
SUBSCRIPTIONS: *Have the EYE mailed to you direct for £6.00 for 12 Months.*
PRINTED BY: *Manchester Free Press, Bombay House, 59 Whitworth Street, Manchester. Tel.228 0976*
© TAMESIDE EYE 1981
ISSN 0260-9800

★ TAMESIDE EYE'S GREAT ★ FUN and GAMES

WHAT'S ON IN & AROUND TAMESIDE

PALACE CINEMA Market St.
Stalybridge 338 2156
Nov 15 and week.
Mel Brooks HISTORY OF THE WORLD PART 1 (AA)
Nov 22 and week
The return of FOR YOUR EYES ONLY (A) in full Dolby stereo sound.
Nov 29 and week
DEAD AND BURIED (X)
Dec 6 and week
SOUTHERN COMFORT (X)□

THEATRE ROYAL Corporation
St. Hyde. 368 2206
Nov 15 and week
Royal 1 FORCE 5 (X)
plus MOTEL HELL (AA)
Royal 2 HISTORY OF THE WORLD PART 1 (AA)
Nov 29 and week
Royal 1 DEAD AND BURIED (X)□

ASHTON METRO (The Odeon as was)
Old St. Ashton 330 1993
Nov.15 and week
FORCE 5 (X)
Nov.22
Not yet booked

Nov.29th
GREGORYS GIRL (A)
+ CAPRICORN 1 (A)
Dec 6th
HOT BUBBLE GUM (X)
the Christmas film at Ashtons resurrected cinema will be WALT DISNEY's THE FOX AND THE HOUND.□

AABEN CINEMA
Jackson Cres. Hulme M/cr.
226 3242
Nov 15 week
GREGORY'S GIRL (A)
'The funniest film in London' Times
'Enormously enjoyable film'- Guardian)
"KAGEMUSHA" (A) (The Shadow Warrior) Japanese dialogue, English subtitles (Best Director award)
TESS (A) (Triple Oscar winner Polanski's adaptation of Hardy's novel)
STARTING OVER (AA) Burt Reynolds and Candice Bergan + SAME TIME NEXT YEAR Alan Alda and Ellen Burstyn

Nov 22 week
Mel Brook's "HISTORY OF THE WORLD PART 1 "(AA) (All perfectly and perverseley outrageous -Times)

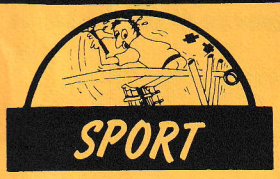
GREGORYS GIRL (A)
MORE AMERICAN GRAFFITI (AA)
+ THE NUDE BOMB (secret agent Don Smart takes on a plan to destroy all known fabrics, leaving the worlds population naked)
THE TEN COMMANDMENTS (U)
(Charlton Heston, Yul Brynner etc.)
Nov 29 week
MY BRILLIANT CAREER (A) (a gentle, romantic film, yet every inch as political as the more shrill feminist tracts that too often loose a wider audience- Films Illus.
+ PICNIC AT HANGING ROCK (A)
BAD TIMING (X)
Art Garfunkel and Theresa Russel.
THE WARRIORS (X)
+ SLAPSHOT (X)
DAYS OF HEAVEN (A)
+ PARADISE ALLEY (A)
Dec 6 week
WAR OF THE WORLDS + SENTINEL.
REGGAE SUNSPLASH
ANTAGONISTS.
Dec 13 week
BABYLON/RICHARD PRIOR LIVE IN CONCERT.
FRIDAY 13 PART 2 +
PROPHESY□

TAMESIDE THEATRE
Oldham Rd. Ashton 308 3223
Tue 24 Nov. 7pm
JOHNNY CASH, THE MAN, THE WORLD AND HIS MUSIC +
THE NASHVILLE SOUND
£1.50 (OAP 75p)□

Film Societies

MILLGATE CENTRE
Delph Oldham.
Saddleworth Film Soc presents
NOSFERATU (23 Nov)
YANKS (14 Dec)
Society Membership £2. single £3 family. more details from Sue Haslam Saddleworth 70680□

FILM AND VIDEO WORKSHOP
5 James Leigh St. M/cr.
236 7076 Tue 1 Dec. 8 p.m.
Manchester Women's Film Group present
DIRT CHEAP by David Hay
Marg Claney and Ned Larder
+ A HOUSE DIVIDED by Alice Guy
Members £1. Guests 80p and 75p membership. □



COPLEY REC. CENTRE
Huddersfield Rd. Stalybridge
303 8118/9 Opening times.
SWIMMING POOL
Mon-Fri 9am -7.30
Sat-Sun 9am-5pm
SPORTSHALL AND GYM
Mon-Fri 5pm-10.30pm
Sat-Sun 9am-10.30
SQUASH COURTS
Mon-Sun 9am-10.30pm
SAUNA AND SLIPPER BATHS
Mon-Sun
BAR & REFRESHMENTS
Mon-Sun□

TAMESIDE AIR RIFLE & PISTOL SHOOTING CLUB
3rd Dukinfield Scouts
Lodge Lane, Dukinfield.
Derek Potts 338 5409
Every Sun 1.30 -5pm
Equipment provided or bring your own 6m and 10m ranges, special equipment provided for disabled marksmen.
50p to join.□

GEORGE LAWTON HALL
Stamford St. Mossley
Mossley 2223
Dec 6th 10am
501 DARTS □

FOOTBALL FIXTURES.

Sat 14th Nov.
Burscough v Hyde
Droylsden v Ashton
Celtic v Nantwich
Macclesfield v Mossley
Curzon v Accrington
Glossop (F.A. Vase)

Sat 21 Nov.
Hyde v Prescot
Ashton v Rossendale
Nantwich v Droylsden
St.Helen's v Celtic
Gateshead v Mossley
Burscough v Curzon
Glossop v Winsford

Sat 28 Nov.
St. Helens v Hyde
Leek v Ashton
Droylsden v Accrington
Celtic v Glossop
Mossley v Oswestry
Curzon v Nantwich

Sat 5 Dec
Hyde v Formby
Ashton v Leek
Burscough v Droylsden
Bootle v Celtic
Southport v Mossley
Darwen v Curzon
Glossop v Accrington

Sat Dec 12.
Leek v Hyde
Chorley v Ashton
Droylsden v Bootle
Celtic v Darwen
Mossley v Bangor
Curzon v Fleetwood
Prescot v Glossop □

COPLEY RECREATION CENTRE
Huddersfield Rd. Stalybridge
303 8118
13th Dec 1 p.m.
THAMES TV JUNIOR GYMNAST OF THE YEAR NORTH WEST FINALS
(Boys and Girls)

28th Nov. 7.30
NATIONAL LEAGUE OF BASKETBALL
BIRCHWOOD VS HEMEL HEMPSTEAD
(tip off 8pm)
*Junior Game 5.45.
*Roller skating Display
*"Crisis" - rock band
£1 (OAP/Child 60p)
parties £5 per minibus
£15 per 30 str coach.□

MEDLOCK ST. SPORTS COMPLEX
Droylsden 370 3070
Open 9am - 10.30pm 7 days a week. Facilities for Squash, Weight training, Badminton, Fencing, Hockey, Volleyball, and many other sports.□

DENTON WEST COMMUNITY CENTRE
Hulme Rd. Denton
Every Mon between 7.30 and 10pm
BADMINTON for 16+ membership
details phone John Mulroy
336 3792.□

KEEP FIT
Every Thur. 8 - 9.30
for details phone sec. Mrs. S. Bradshaw. 336 3699□

FREE LISTING

Phone details of your events to the EYE on

MOSSLEY 4891.

FUN AND GAMES

Rock

TOKYO featuring KAREN NEWMAN
Thurs 19th Nov.
DENTON FESTIVAL HALL
Fri.20th Nov
DROYLSDEN CONCORDE SUITE
Thur.26th Nov.
STALYBRIDGE TOWN HALL
Fri 27th Nov.
HYDE TOWN HALL
All venues £1 on the door
Doors open 7.45p.m.□

SURREY ARMS High St. Gloss.
Kev Hill Gloss 64998
Every Sun 9pm
BLUES NIGHT with
HIGHWAY 61
50p on the door.□

COPLEY RECREATION CENTRE
Huddersfield Rd. Stalybridge
303 8118
22nd Nov. 11am - 11pm
ROCK GROUP COMPETITION.□

Brass

TAMESIDE THEATRE
Sun 29 Nov.
THE TINTWISTLE BAND and
THE OLDHAM CHOIR
£1.50 and £1.□

GUIDE BRIDGE THEATRE
Audenshaw Rd. Audenshaw
28 Nov. 7.45
DENTON ORIGINAL OLDHAM
BATTERIES BRASS BAND XMAS
CONCERT. £1.□

Light

TAMESIDE THEATRE
Oldham Rd. Ashton 308 3223
Sat 28 Nov. 7.30pm
IRIS WILLIAMS IN CONCERT
£4, £3.25

Sun 6th Dec. 2.30 and
7.30 pm.
THE SALVATION ARMY CAROL
SERVICE
£1. and 50p.□

GRANGE ARTS CENTRE
Rochdale Rd. Oldham.
624 8013.
Thurs 3 rd Dec. 7.00p.m.
The return of
ATARAH's BAND
with a show designed for all
the family £1.50 (OAP/St.£1)□

Classical

ASTLEY CHEETHAM ART GALLERY
Trinity St. Stalybridge
Wed 18th Nov 7.30
LONDON BAROQUE
Music by Bach and his contemps.
£1.50 (concession £1.)
tickets from Stalybridge Library 338 3831.

Wed 2nd Dec. 7.30pm
RACHEL MASTERS (harpist)
Programme includes music
by Handel, Mozart, Britten.□

METHODIST CHURCH
Stamford St. Ashton
330 7708 Mon. 7th Dec.
Piano Duo.
IAN TATE/DAVID WALTERS
Programme includes
Schubert's fantasia, and
Dvoraks Slavonic Dances.
DOROTHY JACKSON well known
local Mazzo Soprano
£1.50 (£1.35 OAPs and Jnrs.)□

Folk

THE JUNCTION Mottram Rd.
Mottram 63102
Fortnightly Weds. 9 pm□
THE GLOBE Glossop
Thurs evenings.□
THE STATION Warrington St.
Ashton. 330 6776 Mons 9pm.□
THE PALATINE Hadfield
Nr. Glossop. Gloss.2459
Fortnightly on Weds. 9p.m.□
CROSS KEYS Uppermill
Saddleworth Weds. 8.30pm.□
STALYBRIDGE STATION BUFFET
Sats 9 p.m.□
ROSE AND CROWN
Stalybridge Friday/Sun 9 p.m.□
BUTCHERS ARMS
Stockport Rd. Mossley
Moss. 2063 Tue 9 p.m.□
CLARENCE HOTEL
St. Michaels Sq. Ashton
330 1009 Weds. evening.□
GATEFIELD HOTEL
Cavendish St. Ashton
330 3154 Friday evening.□
THE ODD WHIM
Mossley Rd. Ashton
330 1122 Sun Evenings.□
PACK HORSE
Guide Lane Audenshaw
Thursdays 9pm.□

GRANGE ARTS CENTRE
Rochdale Rd. Oldham 624 8013
Sat 28 Nov. 7.30p.m.
An evening with
JAKE THACKRAY
Return visit of one of Britains most unusual performers
£2.25 (OAP/Student £2.)
Fri 4th Dec. 7.30pm
THE CITY WAITES
"A gorgeous gallery of
gallant inventions"
Popular music of the middle
ages and renaissance, with
allits humour and bawdiness
£1.75 (AOP/Student £1.50)□

TINTWISTLE WORKING MENS CLUB
Old Rd. Tintwistle.
Mike Frost Gloss 4764
Weds 2 Dec 8.30
SULLY AND HIS PRIVATE STOCK
the all Ireland and all
England banjo champion
(with Tony Coll on Guitar) +
resident singers DIANE & PHIL
VERNON
*Derbyshire licensing hours-
11pm closing.
*Boddingtons 43p per pint.□

TAMESIDE THEATRE
Wed 25 Nov. 7.30
THE OLDHAM TINKERS
£2.50, £2, £1.50

Fri 4th Dec. 7.30
THE THREE CROWS CHRISTMAS SHOW £1.50 all seats□

Jazz

GRANGE ARTS CENTRE
Rochdale Rd. Oldham.
624 8013
Sunday 22 Nov. 7.30pm
GEORGE CHISHOLM, KEITH SMITH
& "HEFTY JAZZ" in concert.
"An evening of Louis Armstrong
and Fats Waller Music"
£2.50 (OAP/Student £2.25)

Sun 29 Nov. 7.30pm
THE BIG CITY SOUND in concert,
playing the music of the Big
Bands (Miller, Basie, Ellington etc.) £1.75 (OAP/student
£1.50).□

GUIDE BRIDGE THEATRE CO.
Audenshaw Rd. Audenshaw 330 8078
Sat 21st Nov 8pm
A musical evening with
ED FISH AND FRIENDS
70p.□

DUKINFIELD LIBRARY GALLERY
Town Lane, Dukinfield
Judith Hall 338 2708
6-28 Nov.
Exhibition of work by
students from OPENSHAW TECH COLL
4 - 19 Dec.
Paintings by CHRISTINE KRZEMIEN
and MARION HENSHAW
'Spring in winter'□

SADDLEWORTH MUSEUM
High St. Uppermill.
Until 1st Nov.
PEOPLE IN TEXTILES
7th Nov - 29th Nov.
SADDLEWORTH ART GROUP
AUTUMN EXHIBITION.
Open Sat and Sun 2pm-5pm.
Permanent Local history exhib.
Vintage cars etc.□

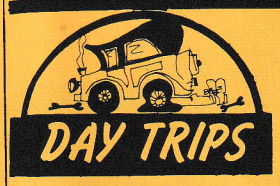
MOSSLEY LIBRARY
Nov 4 - 20
Work by MOSSLEY ARTISTS
Dec 14 -24
BEING DISABLED□

ASTLEY CHEETHAM GALLERY
Trinity St. Stalybridge
THE ELLEN BARNES BEQUEST
LECTURE SERIES
Thur 19 Nov. UNA FLETT
'Kathakali Dancers of
Southern India.'
Thur 26 Nov. JEAN DENTON
'Lipstick, guns and 25
pressups'
Thur 3 Dec SID ROBERTSON
'Making the best of a small
garden'
Thur 10 Dec. NORMAN CROUCHER
O.B.E. 'A Man and his Mountains' Despite having two
artificial legs Norman Croucher
has climbed the Matterhorn,
The Eiger and Mont Blanc.□

ASTLEY CHEETHAM GALLERY
Trinity St. Stalybridge
338 2708
3 Nov - 5 Dec.
Paintings of Lancashire
between the wars by FRED WILDE
9 Dec - 2 Jan '82
REALITY AND ARTIFICE
Exploring the various techniques used by artists who
paint from life (Picasso,
Sutherland, Lichtenstein,
Degas etc.)□

HYDE LIBRARY
Nov 1 - 11
BEING DISABLED□

JUNIOR DISCOS 5.30pm-7.30pm
DENTON FESTIVAL HALL Mons.
DUKINFIELD TOWN HALL Tues.
STALYBRIDGE TOWN HALL Weds.
LONGENDALE REC CEN. Thurs.
HYDE TOWN HALL Fri.
Annual membership 25p Adm 30p.
Phone 336 6431 for more dtls.□



DENTON POOL
22nd Nov. in the afternoon
ITS A CHRISTMAS KNOCKOUT□

CONCORDE SUITE Droylsden
12 Dec 9.30 am
TAMESIDE FESTIVAL OF HIGHLAND DANCING□

12th Dec.
ASHTON CONSTITUENCY
LABOUR PARTY DAY OF
ACTION "XMAS ON THE
DOLE".
Happenings throughout
the day and rally with
prominent Labour Speakers
on a site near Ashton Town
Hall steps.□

10 Stockport Rd. Mossley
Tim or Christine Moss. 3316
Wed 18th Nov.
Mossley for Peace.
Discussion group with NEIL
SIMPSON of the Medical Campaign against Nuclear Weapons.□

GEORGE LAWTON HALL
Stamford St. Mossley
Ian Gordon Moss 4008
Thur 19th Nov. 7.30
MOSSLEY FOR PEACE present
SHEENAGH GLEISNER on her visit
to the USA with peace mission, also woman/the family
and the nuclear threat.□

TAMESIDE THEATRE
Oldham Rd. Ashton
308 3223
Tue 17 Nov.for 5 days
7.30pm
THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW
£3, £2.25, £1.50
*TWO seats for the price of one (Tue only)

Sun 22 Nov. 6pm & 8.30
THE KEN DODD LAUGHTER SHOW
£2.50, £2, £1.50
OAP £1.75, £1.25,£1)

Sat 5 Dec. 7.30
The friends of the Theatre present "A CHRISTMAS CAVALCADE"
Seats £1.25 and £1.
Dec 23 - Jan 30
Weekdays except Wed. 7.30
eds. 2.30 and 7.30 Sats 1pm, 4.30, and 7.30
Tameside Theatre's Panto.
SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS starring PETER GOODWRIGHT TERRY HALL with LENNY THE LION and DENISE NOLAN.
£3, £2.50 £2. (OAP /Child £2, £1.75, £1.50. special terms for parties of 20 or more.□

TAMESIDE COLLEGE.
Beaufort Rd. Ashton
Mike Rooke 330 6911
Every Thur from 1st Oct.
DRAMA WORKSHOP
open to all with an interest in informal drama □

DOG AND PARTRIDGE
Brook St. Ashton
Mike Rooke, Saddleworth 5841
Fri 20th Nov.
STAND AND DELIVER presents DAVE STEPHENS. A highly original solo performer. "Hard core comedy....frank use of social, sexual and psychological imagery (Time Out).
Friday 4th Dec.
JEFF NUTTALL. Whose published works include 'Bomboulture' 1968 and 'Gold Hole' 1978
30p on the door.□

GUIDE BRIDGE THEATRE
Audenshaw Rd. Audenshaw
330 8078
Sun 15 Nov 7pm
The Down at Heel Theatre Co present PAVEMENT ARTISTES.
£1.20 on the night £1 in advance.

Sat 12 Dec. - 19 Dec. 7.45
Guide Bridge Theatre's Xmas Panto is the North West premier of THE GRAND OLD DUKE OF YORK. 95p.□

GRANGE ARTS CENTRE
Rochdale Rd. Oldham.
624 8013
Thurs 26 Nov. 7.30pm
Cheek by Jowl Theatre Co. present "THE COUNTRY WIFE" by William Wycherley.
"bawdy, witty,farcical' Restoration comedy at its best.
£1.50 (OAP/Student £1).

Sat 5 Dec 7.30p.m.
Platforms Theatre Ltd. present "EXIT,PURSUED BY A BEAR"
An anthology of theatre from Elizabethan to Edwardian days.
£2.25 (AOP/Student £2).□

COLISEUM THEATRE
Fairbottom St.Oldham.
624 2829
4 Dec '81-16 Jan '82
The Coliseum Theatre Co presents "CINDERELLA"
Written and Directed by Kenneth Alan Taylor;
sure to be the Coliseum's most spectacular pantomime yet. £3.25, £2.75, £2.25 (OAP & Child £1.50)□

BROADBOTTOM COMMUNITY CENTRE
Mottram via Hyde.
Sat. Dec.5, 8pm.
North West Spanner Theatre Co. presents SYMPTOMS OF UNHEALTHY PATIENCE , a cabaret-style presentation of sketches on women and health. Supported by Hyde Women's Group. £1 waged, 50p unwaged. Tickets, tel. N.W.Spanner, Mossley 4627.
Bar applied for.□

BIRCH COMMUNITY CENTRE
Rusholme Manchester
Sat 14th Nov.
Bryoney Lavery's thriller MISSING
Sat 28th Nov
CATHY LA CREME AND THE RUM-BABAS. prima donna of punk poetry with a sophisticated cabaret (and free food)
Sat Dec 12
Community Arts Workshop
HIGH NOON AT ALBION....
the wild north west featuring a Ceiliah.
For times and prices ring Jeremy Shine 224 0020□

MILLGATE CENTRE
Delph Oldham
Saddleworth 4644
Dec 5 - 12th
Saddleworth Players present
THE RINGS OR ZORGON
A new musical play.
£1. (last Sat. £1.20)□

Review

GUIDE BRIDGE THEATRE was originally conceived by the popular Audenshaw man CHARLIE DIXON and considering it has all been done by voluntary effort it has certainly been a great success. Membership is open to anyone and as from Jan.1982 will cost £5 per annum, which in addition to giving access to the club provides a regular bulletin about forthcoming events. On visiting the theatre to see their production of ABIGAIL'S PARTY we were most impressed by the warm friendly atmosphere and comfortable surroundings. There are two bars, one offering alcoholic drinks (Bitter at 48p per pint) the other, coffee and snacks.
On performance evenins, when non-members are welcome, there is a half hour bar extension. One really nice touch is that drinks can be ordered before the performance for the interval, in sharp contrast to TAMESIDE THEATRE where you cannot get near the bar during intervals. The auditorium itself is fairly small (seating 113) but the good seating and excellent views of the stage from all parts of the theatre make this a most pleasant venue for live entertainment.□

Grass Roots Books

ANNOUNCEMENT! WE NOW HAVE A 25 PAGE BOOKLIST OF SCIENCE FICTION AND FANTASY; 100's OF ITEMS, MANY IMPORTS AND BARGAINS.
(We still have booklists, regularly updated, on more serious topics: e.g. Community rights, Gay studies, Black studies.)

CURRENT BEST SELLERS INCLUDE:
*Manifesto by Francis Cripps, et at £1.95
*State of the World Atlas by Kidron and Segal £5.95
*Not! 1982 £2.99
*God-emperor of Dune by Herbert £6.95
NEW Carlos Casteneda 'The Eagles Gift £6.95
Changing bodies, Changing lives £4.50

THE DIFFERENT BOOKSHOP
1 newton street
piccadilly, manchester
m11hw tel 061 236 3112

'The brightest package of alternative entertainment in the N.West'

Stand and Deliver

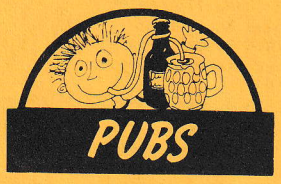
DOG & PARTRIDGE
Brook St. Ashton-under-Lyne

Fridays 8·30

admission 30p

20Nov Dave Stephens
4 Dec Jeff Nuttall
18 Dec Xmas Party

Supported by Stand & Deliver, Tameside Eye, Tameside Libraries & Arts, North West Arts and the National Poetry Secretariat.



John Smiths Magnet Ale on draught is one of those great and rare brews that the truly religious boozer seeks after like the Holy Grail. Well, drunken pilgrims! You need search no further! This blissful alcoholic nectar is dispensed, without prescription, at the DENTON CONSERVATIVE CLUB on Manchester Road, and at less than 50p a pint it's got to be a bar-gain!
No wonder then that some of TAME SIDE's top Tories make this a regular stopping point on their true-blue pub crawls. On the night we went we saw that great man COLIN GRANTHAM O.B.E. (which some say stands for 'Other Blokes' Efforts' - needless to add, I don't say that!)

Speaking of COLIN GRANTHAM, he was also present at the opening of a new, very exclusive club last September, which runs every Tuesday night at CARRIAGES in DROYLESDEN, the nite-club owned by local Tory builder ROLAND BARDSLEY. It's called the 300 CLUB, it's for TAMESIDE landlords and landladies and guests, and offers late night drinking of a sort they can, unfortunately, not offer their own customers.□

OTHER EVENTS

DOG AND PARTRIDGE
Brook St. Ashton 330 4867
Every Thurs 8 - 11 pm
THE THURSDAY CLUB
(for widowed, divorced and single people aged 35-60)
socials, dancing etc.□

SADDLEWORTH MUSEUM High St. Uppermill
DAVE WESTON 303 7881
Nov 16 8pm
HUDDERSFIELD NARROW CANAL SOC. are holding a Cheese and Wine and famous name seconds party.□

GUIDE BRIDGE THEATRE
Audenshaw Rd. Audenshaw
330 8087
28 Nov. 2.00p.m.
CHRISTMAS FAIR□

LIBRARY THEATRE St. Peters Sq. Manchester 236 7110
Thu. 10th Dec. 1.10-1.50pm
Meet the Author lecture by BERNARD LEVIN. author of 'Conducted Tour'
Tickets 60p available from 1st Dec at W.H. Willshaw Ltd. John Dalton St. Manchester.□

WYTHENSHAWE PARK GLASSHOUSE
Wythenshawe Manchester.
J. Steedman 236 3377 x7740
Wed Dec 2 and Sun Dec 5
Wed. 2.30. Sun 10.30am
A free lecture on GREENHOUSE GARDENING□

HARTSHEAD SCHOOL
Lees Rd. Ashton
Sat 21 and Sun 22 Nov.
11.30 am -6pm
HARTSHEAD XMAS CRAFT MARKET AND COLLECTORS FAIR
Adults 20p. Children 10p.□

DENTON FESTIVAL HALL.
28th Nov 7.30pm
RECREATION DEPT. FANCY DRESS BALL proceeds to charity)□

CONCORDE SUITE
Droylsden
Every Thurs 8pm-12pm
OVER 25 SINGLES NIGHT
with disco and bar £1.□

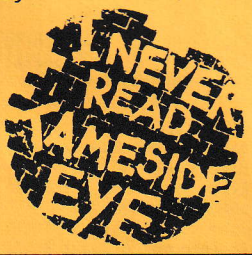
ST. PETER's CLUB
Stalybridge.
Every Monday 8 pm
STALYBRIDGE PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB
All welcome.□

Tshirt offer & FREE badge

There are 3 distinctive designs:
1. *I never read TAMESIDE EYE or*
2. *TAMESIDE EYE is mildly offensive or*
3. *20.000 readers swear by it (reproduction of cover No. 23). Sizes....SMALL, MEDIUM & LARGE.*

All T shirts are printed black on white. Send £3 inc.p. & p. for each T shirt telling us the design and size for you. Cheques & postal orders to: TAMESIDE EYE, PO BOX 30, HYDE, CHESHIRE SK14 3JL.

Badges...15p send S.A.E.



XMAS & NEW YEAR SPECIAL

ON SALE AT YOUR LOCAL NEWSAGENT FROM SATURDAY THE 12TH OF DECEMBER ORDER YOUR COPY NOW!